

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method and apparatus for connecting the outer end of a telescopically extendable passenger bridge to an aircraft door aft of the wing. An inner part of the bridge is connected to a terminal building by a rotunda, and the outer part of the bridge carries a cabin for connection to the aircraft at a passenger door. The bridge is movable by a drive system positioned at the outermost end of the inner part of the bridge, and the outer part is pivotable in a vertical plane relative to the inner part. The bridge is moved to a docking position, and the drive system is positioned close to the leading edge of the aircraft wing. After telescopically extending the inner part of the bridge, the outer part is swung downward and is telescopically extended to an end position at which the cabin is docked against the aircraft body.